

Is the Price Right?

As a prospective college student, you will need to consider many factors when deciding whether an institution is a good fit for you.

Quality of academic programs, size, location, and price all play a role in your selection. The chart below is intended to give you a basis for comparison when considering price. It tells you the actual tuition and fees that the Virginia public institutions are charging this year, including the cost of living in a dorm on campus, which some colleges require of freshmen students.

Remember, the estimated cost in the table is the price you would pay, as an in-state student attending a Virginia public school. It reports the total cost before subtracting scholarship, grant or work-study awards. After receiving your award letter, feel free to contact the college's financial aid office and make sure you fully understand what your total cost of attendance will be and how much you and/or your family will be expected to contribute. Please note that the "Total Cost" in the table does not include personal expenses, books, supplies, transportation, etc. Remember to consider these expenses as well.

In the end, you should always ask yourself, "Is the price right for me and my family?"

2017-18 Full-Time In-State Undergraduate Student Cost

Institution	Tuition and Total Mandatory Fees	Average Room and Board ¹	Total Cost
Christopher Newport University	\$13,654	\$11,224	\$24,878
College of William and Mary	\$22,044	\$11,799	\$33,843
George Mason University	\$11,924	\$11,090	\$23,014
James Madison University	\$10,878	\$10,112	\$20,990
Longwood University	\$12,720	\$10,418	\$23,138
Norfolk State University	\$9,036	\$9,866	\$18,902
Old Dominion University	\$10,350	\$10,122	\$20,472
Radford University	\$10,627	\$9,131	\$19,758
University of Mary Washington	\$12,128	\$10,216	\$22,344
University of Virginia	\$16,068	\$10,992	\$27,060
University of Virginia-Wise	\$9,825	\$10,314	\$20,139
Virginia Commonwealth University	\$13,624	\$10,187	\$23,811
Virginia Military Institute	\$18,214	\$9,236	\$27,450
Virginia State University	\$8,726	\$10,880	\$19,606
Virginia Tech	\$13,230	\$8,690	\$21,920
2-Year Colleges			
Richard Bland College	\$7,830	\$11,480	\$19,310
VA Community College System ²	\$4,508	N/A	\$4,508
Average for 4-year Institutions³	\$12,702	\$10,285	\$22,987
Average for All Institutions³	\$11,933	\$10,360	\$21,683

(1) Charges listed here represent the weighted average double-occupancy room charge and the maximum weekly meal plan offered, not necessarily the plan used by most students.

(2) N/A in Average Room and Board is because VCCS does not have this charge.

(3) Increases for tuition and mandatory E&G fees and total are weighted to account for variable tuition charges at CWM and UVA.



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